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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

HENRY LEE TOWNSEND,

Petitioner,

v.

DERRAL ADAMS, Warden,

Respondent.

C 07-4904 PJH (PR)

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME TO FILE ANSWER**

Respondent respectfully requests an extension of 60 days, to and including May 27, 2008, in which to answer the petition.

In support of this request, we submit the attached declaration.

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1 Dated: March 28, 2008

2 Respectfully submitted,

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY U.S. MAIL

Case Name: **Townsend v. Adams, Warden**

No.: **C 07-4904 PJH (PR)**

I declare:

I am employed in the Office of the Attorney General, which is the office of a member of the California State Bar, at which member's direction this service is made. I am 18 years of age or older and not a party to this matter; my business address is 455 Golden Gate Avenue, Suite 11000, San Francisco, CA 94102-7004.

On March 28, 2008, I served the attached

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DECLARATION OF STAN HELFMAN IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ANSWER

[PROPOSED] ORDER

by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid, in the United States Mail at San Francisco, California, addressed as follows:

Henry Lee Townsend
No. F-24609
California State Prison - Corcoran
P.O. Box 3466
Corcoran, CA 93212-3466

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on March 28, 2008, at San Francisco, California.

M. Argarin
Declarant

/s/ M. Argarin
Signature